

SENATE BILL 2511

By Bell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, relative to programs signifying completion of high school or its equivalent.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-903, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection (e):

(e) In light of the stated intention of the American Council on Education to create a new GED test aligned with the common core state standards, THEC shall study whether any changes should be made to the requirements for receipt of Tennessee HOPE lottery scholarships by recipients of GEDs under § 49-4-908. The department of labor and workforce development, division of adult education, the department of education and the office of research and education accountability in the office of the comptroller of the treasury shall assist THEC as THEC requests. THEC shall report its findings and conclusions and make any recommendations for changes to the statute to the general assembly by January 14, 2014.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.